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JULY 13, 1905.

MEETING OF THE COUNTY COMMITTEE.

The Democratic County Committee met at Mathews C. H. on Saturday, July 1. Present: J. Boyd Sears, Chairman, Sands Smith, Wm. F. Jarvis, Jno. F. Hudgins, Alex. James and L. C. Garnett from the Chesapeake district; S. F. Miller, Dr. C. C. White and Wm. E. Fitchett from the Westville district; and J. T. Christian and C. S. Williams from the Piankintank district.

Hon. J. Boyd Sears presented his resignation as Chairman which was accepted and Mr. L. C. Garnett was selected to fill out the unexpired term. On motion of J. J. Burke it was decided that it was the sense of the Committee that a nomination of a candidate for the House of delegates be by primary election, to be held on August 22, 1905, and a sub-committee of three composed of L. C. Garnett, S. F. Miller and J. T. Christian was appointed to meet with the Middlesex County Committee to perfect the arrangements for a primary.

L. C. Garnett, Ch'm'n. W. E. Fitchett, Sec'y.

THANKS.

Cobbs Creek Va., July 11, 1905. Editor, Mathews Journal, Mathews Va.

Gentlemen:

I beg to inform you that at the meeting of Chapel Lodge No. 235 I. O. O. F., I was appointed a committee of one to thank you for the work your office did for the Lodge, and to express to you the entire satisfaction of the Lodge, both with the quality and character of the work and the reasonableness of the charges. With best wishes for the Journal

I remain very respectfully, V. V. Shipley, Committee.

Messrs. J. T. Christian, L. C. Garnett and Jno. J. Burke, as a sub-committee of the Democratic County Committee, went to Urbanna on Friday, July 7, for the purpose of meeting the Demo-

cratic Committee of Middlesex county and framing a suitable plan for the nomination of a candidate for the Legislature. W. H. Ryland, of Middlesex, was made chairman of the joint meeting and W. D. Evans secretary. We give below the plan adopted by the committee:

PRIMARY PLAN.

I. The selection of a candidate for the House of Delegates shall be by primary election, to be held on the 22nd day of August, 1905.

II. All white democratic voters who are, or will be, legal voters at the next election, shall be entitled to vote, provided said voter, if he has heretofore been a voter, shall have cast a democratic ballot at the last election in which he shall have participated.

III. When any person who shall offer himself to the judges as a democratic voter shall be known or believed by them not to be a democrat, his democracy having been questioned by challenge or otherwise, the name of said voter shall be written by the judges on the back of his ballot and the said ballot shall be canvassed by the County Committee.

IV. Every candidate desiring to be voted for in the primary shall notify, in writing, the chairmen of the County Committees in the counties composing the Legislative district, on or before August 2, 1905.

V. The County Committees of the several counties shall have the appointment of the election officials and shall canvass the returns. After the said returns shall be so canvassed, the same shall be jointly canvassed by the chairmen of the two committees, who shall declare the nominee of the primary.

VI. If only one candidate shall notify the chairmen, as herein required, the said chairmen shall declare said candidate the nominee.

THE MATHIEWS COUNTY VA. FITZHUGH LEE MONUMENT FUND.

Names of children contributing to the Fitzhugh Lee monument fund since our last issue:

- J. Irene Hudgins, Brazonia B., Bradley, Jno. Ellwood, Carl F. Shackelford, Delma Lee, Mabel C. White, Hilda M., Gurdon Treakle, George, Freddie, Elva, Waveland, Malcolm, Millard, Beatrice, Elliel Hodges, Stamwood.

As the undersigned should like to see all the children in Mathews County subscribe to the Fitzhugh Lee Monument fund, he will be glad to receive a penny from each child, (whose name will appear in the columns of the Journal) and will forward contributions to the committee in Richmond.

Giles B. Cooke, Rector of Kingston Parish.

SEARS AND STUBBS REPLY

Selden, Va., June 24, 1905. Editor Southside Sentinel:

My dear sir:—Please publish the enclosed letters in your paper. They are the replies of the candidates for State Senate to a letter to them from the Gloucester Anti-saloon League containing the following questions: "If elected to the position for which you offer will you (1) oppose the repeal or any emasculation of the Mann law? (2) vote to amend the existing laws so as to bring distilleries under the operation of the Mann law? (3) vote to amend the

local option law so as to break up the illegal sale of liquor in local option territory?

Cordially yours, S. R. Tyler, Pres. Gloucester Anti-sal. League. Mr. Sears' Reply. Mathews, Va., June 23, 1905. Rev. S. R. Tyler, Pres., Gloucester Co. Anti-Sal. League, Gloucester, Va.

Dear sir—Your letter of May 30, requesting that I define my position upon the Mann law received.

If elected to represent the people of the 39th Senatorial District in the Senate of Virginia, I will oppose the repeal of the Mann law, and support any amendment proposed for the purpose of bringing distilleries under its operation.

Having presented and had passed by the Legislature a special law for Mathews county, in aid of the local option law, I am therefore in favor of a general law that will break up the illegal sale of liquor in other local option counties.

Yours very truly, J. Boyd Sears. Mr. Stubbs' Reply.

Woods X Roads, Va., June 2, '05. Rev. S. R. Tyler, Pres., Gloucester Co. Anti-Sal. League, Selden, Va.

Dear Sir—You have propounded to me as a democratic candidate for the Senate, for the nomination at the primary, certain questions and my reply to be published "in our county paper." The League, I presume, desired these questions to be asked. The League shall have my views, for I know the members of the League must be democrats, as only democrats have the right to make the request. My reply is not only for the League, but to the public. As a democrat, I reply to democrats and it will be published, as a political paper, by the League, to be read from a candidate to a political office. Then I conclude the League has a right to know my political views. I am a democrat and my reply is from a democratic standpoint.

For the first time in the history of Virginia, our State Constitution has the following provision: "Section 62. The General Assembly shall have full power to enact local option or dispensary laws or any other laws controlling, regulating or prohibiting the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors." The new Constitution of Virginia went into effect on July 10, 1902. Under the above provision the General Assembly of Virginia passed the Mann Bill and it went into effect on April 10, 1903.

Has the "Mann Bill" been approved by the people of Virginia? In the fall of 1903, members of the House of Delegates and one-half of the Senators were elected and the General Assembly of 1904, met in January, remained in session two months and the "Mann Bill" was not repealed and no move was made to have it repealed. The Constitutional Convention was overwhelmingly democratic; the General Assembly of 1903 was democratic; the General Assembly of 1904 was democratic; the democratic party held a democratic convention in the spring of 1904 and did not kick on Mann Bill, as it could have done and would have done if it so desired. Now, when no platform has been adopted by the democratic party against the Mann Bill, the "Gloucester Anti-Saloon League," following the State League, propounds certain questions for candidates to answer, while the public generally are accepting the situation, without any stir. If the organization desires to be a political factor in this campaign and figure in the fight, it has a perfect right to do so, and as a candidate I gladly give my views.

First question propounded by the president—"If elected to the position for which you offer will you oppose the repeal or any emasculation of the Mann Law?" Answer—I will oppose the repeal or any emasculation of the Mann Law. I think we ought to remain as we are and not agitate a question that the democratic party, as a party, has indirectly, if not directly, accepted the situation.

Second question propounded by the president—"If elected to the position for which you offer, will you vote to amend the existing laws, so as to bring distilleries under the operation of the Mann Law?" Answer—I regret I do not understand the question. I think all the existing laws as to distilleries are included in what is known as the "Mann Bill." As I understand the question I see no reason why we should be interested in the matter, as it is not a practical question—in our section distilleries are very scarce. Should an effort be made to from sections where distilleries exist, I will be guided by the wishes of the good people who will be interested.

Third question propounded by the president—"If elected to the position for which you offer will you vote to amend the local option law so as to break up the illegal sale of liquor in local option territory?" Answer—Any sale of liquor in local option districts is illegal. Penalty for the sale of liquor in local option districts is fixed in the "Mann Bill," which is "a fine of not less than twenty dollars and in the discretion of the court, by imprisonment not exceeding twelve months." The penalty can be light or it can be heavy; any fine (not excessive) and one year in jail. I think sales of liquor in local option districts should be broken up, but I can't see how the law can be amended so as to be more certain of doing so. It is a misdemeanor, and punishment for misdemeanor is fine or imprisonment, or both.

Your obedient servant, J. N. Stubbs.

CARD FROM R. L. MCCREADY.

Mathews, June 12, 1905. Mr. Editor:

You will please grant a small space in your valuable paper to correct a manifest error made by the Hon. George Y. Hunley in your last issue, in his card of withdrawal from the legislative contest. He has left the impression that the only candidates that are now in the field for the House of Delegates are the two gentlemen who announced themselves as candidates for the above position before the primary, since he did; they being from Middlesex and Mathews respectfully. In your issue of June 1st, there appeared for the first time Mr. Hunley's card of announcement, and just under his (for the first time also) appeared my card of announcement. Mr. Hunley knew when he wrote his card of announcement of his candidacy, that I was a candidate, and he knew when he wrote his card withdrawing from the field that I was still a candidate, and therefore when in his card in your last issue, he used these words: "In Mathews I heard nothing what ever to indicate that any other Democrat of considerable following would aspire," he did me a great injustice, and when he followed it up, farther along in his card with those other words: "But since doing so, (meaning his card of announcement) two prominent Democrats, one of Mathews and one of Middlesex have announced themselves for the nomination," he but emphasized that injustice. I do not know what my following as a Democrat is, nor does he; but I am a Democrat and as a Democrat I ask and demand the courtesy and respect that is due one Democrat to another. This may be an oversight on the part of Mr. Hunley, and if so, let him correct it through the same channels through which he made it.

Yours very truly, R. L. McCreedy.

FITCHETTS.

Miss Lucy Hughes, of Richmond, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Baker will spend the summer in Mathews.

We are now having fine seasons and crops are looking well in this section, especially corn.

As our friend Mr. Geo. Y. Hunley has thought it best to retire from the contest for the Legislature, it is to be hoped some one will fill his place as faithfully and ably as he has.

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J. N. Stubbs. Woods X Roads, Va. April 17, 1905.

Senator Sears' Announcement

Mathews, Va., April 10, 1905. To my fellow-democrats of the 39th Senatorial district:

I hereby formally announce my candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of State Senator from the 39th Senatorial district.

Four years ago you honored me with your confidence and a seat in the Senate of Virginia. My ambition again prompts me to ask of you my return to this high position.

As your representative I made every effort to faithfully discharge every duty and responsibility resting upon me, and if you shall again honor me I will endeavor to be deserving of your confidence and esteem.

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I hereby announce myself a candidate subject to the action of the democratic primary soon to be held, to represent the counties of Mathews and Middlesex in the next House of Delegates of Virginia.

Very Respectfully, R. L. McCreedy.

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Capt. Jos. Trader is having his home painted and improved generally.

Quite a number of improvements in the way of building are being made in this neighborhood. Dan. Fox is having a new dwelling built.

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Special Notice We will open on Friday, June 2, the Largest and Cheapest Line of Goods We have ever offered to the trade. Mail and Telephone orders promptly attended to. Sears & Williams. Mathews, Va.

Come! Come! Come!!! to our Half Price Clearing Out Sale of Millinery and Dress Goods. The Season is now almost over and they must go. It will pay you to buy a hat or dress, whether you want it or not, during our half price sale. Don't fail to see the bargains. G. S. and J. F. Marchant, Dealers in Everything at Attractive Prices. Agents for Carrara paint, the best made, \$1.75 per gal. Liberty paint, good as gold, \$.95 per gal. Monumental paint, for barns and bridges, \$6.1/2 per gal. "Japalac" varnish, bears the iron, \$2.50 per gal. American white lead, never fades, 4c to 10c per lb. Clove seed, never rancid, \$25.00. Richmond cook stoves, good as any, \$7.00. Lexington range, can't be beat, \$12.00 to \$25.00. Wickless oil cook stoves, good for summer use, \$2.50 to \$10.00. Sycause chilled plows, a good work, \$6.00 to \$10.00. Heywood-Walke field wicker furniture, Russell table saws, Kayser & Allmans Wall Paper, O'Connor's hand made Harness, Westover Roofing Paper, \$1.00 per roll.

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